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Group B (Cylinders and Associated Parts). Applicant elects Species III and the claims

5 Reading thereon which are: 1, 2, 16, 20 and 21

Group C (Swivel Adapter): Applicant elects Species IV and the claims reading thereon

Which are:

1, 16 and 21.

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Group D (Universal Attachment Adapter). Applicant elects Species VI and the claims

reading thereon which are:

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1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21.

Group E (Double Bladed Attachment). Applicant elects Species VIII and the claims

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reading thereon which are:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21.

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REMARKS

30 During a telephone conference on December 1, 2005, Applicant's attorney, Ms. Adrienne B. Naumann, Esq. and Ms. Amy Jo Sterling, the examiner in the above captioned case, concluded there are two embodiments in Applicant's application: one embodiment comprises a two bladed detachable upper attachment, while the second embodiment

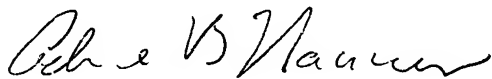
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Comprises a conical detachable upper attachment. Both embodiments of Applicant's vehicle support kit are otherwise identical in structure and function. Ms. Naumann and Ms. Sterling also agreed that Applicant must elect one of these embodiments for further prosecution. Applicant selects the embodiment illustrated in Figure 1, and which comprises the detachable two bladed upper attachment, and not the detachable conical attachment. Claims which read upon this embodiment are following:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21.

However, it is Applicant's position that Claims 1, 16 and 20 are generic for both embodiments. Claim 16 refers solely to 'attachments' which could be either conical or two bladed. Claims 1 and 20 do not designate attachments or other devices which are structurally or functionally equivalent to these attachments.

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